

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

CONGRATULATORY REMARKS TO PRESIDENT MA YING-JEOU

HON. TIM SCOTT

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 16, 2012

Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate President Ma Ying-jeou of the Republic of China (Taiwan) on his inauguration on May 20th, 2012.

The Republic of China (Taiwan) is the first nation in the ethnic Chinese world where democracy has taken root. Today Taiwan celebrates freedom and democracy. We hope China will one day transform itself into a democratic and free country based on the example set by Taiwan.

For the past four years, under the leadership of President Ma, the relationship between Taiwan and China has improved dramatically, with increased economic and cultural exchanges as well as reduced military tension across the Taiwan Strait.

Taiwan and the United States have always had a strong partnership, built on cooperation, trust and shared values. In 1979 the U.S. Congress enacted the Taiwan Relations Act (TRA), the cornerstone of our bilateral relationship. While the U.S. and Taiwan do not have formal ties, relations between the two sides have continued to strengthen. For instance, the support of the U.S. Congress for Taiwan has never faltered. We trust that the relations will grow in areas including trade, science and technology, educational exchange, military sales based on the Taiwan Relations Act.

On the occasion of Mr. Ma's second inauguration, we celebrate with him and his people by affirming our appreciation for their successes and by expressing our continued commitment to Taiwan's security and well being.

CONGRATULATING TAIWAN PRESIDENT MA YING-JEOU ON HIS SECOND PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION

HON. BLAKE FARENTHOLD

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 16, 2012

Mr. FARENTHOLD. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate President Ma Ying-jeou on his second presidential inauguration. The United States of America is proud of its relationship with Taiwan, originally created by the Taiwan Relations Act, which gives the United States an important legal commitment to their country's vibrant democracy.

Taiwan has made remarkable progress in so many ways. It is now one of the world's 20 freest economies. Their strong commitment to structural reform and openness to global commerce have enabled it to become a global leader in economic freedom.

Democracy is hard to come by as witnessed by the turmoil in the Middle East. To maintain

a democracy in these troubled times is no mere accomplishment. Taiwan, led by President Ma Ying-jeou, has achieved a democracy unrivaled. His efforts to bring peace to the region have been both courageous and meaningful.

I urge my colleagues to join me in congratulating President Ma Ying-jeou and I wish him well in his future endeavors.

RECOGNIZING THE RETIREMENT OF ROBERT N. CAMPBELL III, VICE CHAIRMAN OF DELOITTE & TOUCHE USA LLP

HON. MICHAEL T. McCAUL

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 16, 2012

Mr. McCAUL. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to recognize the retirement of Robert N. Campbell III, Vice Chairman of Deloitte & Touche USA LLP and National Sector Leader of Deloitte's U.S. State Government practice. Bob will soon retire after 39 years with Deloitte.

During his tenure with Deloitte, Bob has worked closely with government leaders to address and resolve their critical policy, financing, and operational issues. He has advised leaders of major federal agencies, over 40 states and several major local governments on a variety of issues spanning human services, higher education, K-12 education, student loan finance, employment, economic development, public health care, Medicaid, mental health, developmental disabilities, revenue and taxation, and central finance and administration.

Mr. Campbell is a frequent writer and speaker on public policy and management issues. He recently co-authored the book *States of Transition* addressing the big issues currently facing our nation's governors. In recent years he has been quoted in *Washington Technology*, *Federal Times*, *Government Technology*, *Consulting Magazine*, *Computer World*, *The Hill*, *USA Today*, and other leading publications. He has also addressed a number of conferences and associations including the National Association of Auditors, Comptrollers and Treasurers, the Council of State Governments, and *Governing Magazine's* Government Performance Conference.

During his tenure at Deloitte, Bob has held a variety of senior leadership roles and was awarded the firm's annual Curtis Award for Partnership Values.

Bob received a Bachelor's degree with honors majoring in business and history from Austin College in 1971 and a Master's Degree from the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs, University of Texas in 1973. He has served on various community boards and committees and is presently a member of the Advisory Board of the LBJ School of Public Affairs and on the Chancellors Council Executive Committee of the University of Texas System.

Mr. Speaker, in closing, Bob Campbell has demonstrated passion and excellence in helping governments address and resolve critical policy, financing, and operational issues. His insights have helped governments across the country achieve better results for the citizens they serve.

On behalf of the people of the 10th Congressional District, I would like to thank Bob for his years of service and wish him continued success in the years to come.

IN HONOR OF FRANCISCO "FRANK" ALVAREZ

HON. DENNIS A. CARDOZA

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, May 16, 2012

Mr. CARDOZA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of my dear friend, Mr. Francisco "Frank" Alvarez. He passed suddenly this week and his passing is a devastating loss to our entire community. Frank served as the Deputy District Attorney for the Stanislaus County District Attorney's office.

Frank was born July 13, 1954, in East Los Angeles. Mr. Alvarez served four years in the Air Force as a teletype repairman before starting his law career. He began working at the District Attorney's office in 1990. He prosecuted a number of misdemeanor and felony crimes from domestic violence to consumer fraud. Frank secured the first conviction against a gang member who violated the south Modesto gang injunction as a prosecutor for the gang unit; however, he spent the better part of his career—10 years—in the juvenile division.

"While he always made sure the young people were accountable for their actions, he was also very much focused on rehabilitation," said Ruben Villalobos, a defense attorney and a friend of Mr. Alvarez's. "There are a lot of young people who moved beyond their criminal behavior because of Frank."

In addition to his work at the District Attorney's office, Frank Alvarez served the community both as an advocate and also as the Commander of the American GI Forum. As a veteran, Frank knew how important service to our nation is. His life was an example to others. He was selfless and never hesitated to help a young person realize their goals and strive for success. Frank was known throughout our community for his outstanding community service.

He has also served on a number of boards and committees, including the Girl Scouts, the Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee, the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors Mental Health Board and the Turlock Unified School District Criminal Justice Committee. Since 1992, he participated in the Stanislaus County Mock Trial competition and has helped organize the Fourth of July parade, Veterans Day parade and Cinco de Mayo parade.

He recently was appointed as a member on the California Mexican-American War Memorial and was the commander of the American

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